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SUBJECT: BIOGRAPHY OF ANDERS WIJMAN

REF: JOHNSON-CANNEY TELECON

1. ANDERS WIJMAN, MEMBER OF PARLIAMENT (MODERATE PARTY) FROM STOCKHOLM, WAS BORN IN 1944 AND ATTENDED UNIVERSITY OF STOCKHOLM WHERE HE RECEIVED A B.A. DEGREE IN THE SOCIAL SCIENCES. WHILE AT THE UNIVERSITY HE WAS ACTIVE IN STUDENT POLITICS, AND WAS AT ONE TIME CHAIRMAN OF THE FREE MODERATE NATIONAL STUDENT ASSOCIATION.

2. WIJMAN WAS FIRST ELECTED TO PARLIAMENT IN THE 1970 ELECTIONS AND REELECTED IN 1973. HE IS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE. IN RECENT YEARS HE HAS DEVELOPED AN INTEREST IN NUCLEAR ENERGY QUESTIONS, AND IS CONSIDERED ONE OF THE MODERATE PARTY'S EXPERTS IN THIS FIELD.

3. ON FOREIGN POLICY QUESTIONS, WIJMAN HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY SYMPATHETIC TO THE UNITED STATES. HE WAS ONE OF THE VERY FEW MEMBERS OF THE SWEDISH PARLIAMENT FROM ANY PARTY TO DEFEND THE U.S. POSITION ON VIETNAM. HE HAS ALSO BEEN STRONGLY PRO-ISRAEL, AND MADE AN INTERPELLATION IN PARLIAMENT QUESTIONING THE IMPROMPTU MEETING OF PRIME MINISTER PALME WITH PLO LEADER ARAFAT IN ALGERIA IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR.

4. WIJMAN AND HIS WIFE TRAVELED THE UNITED STATES

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AT HIS OWN EXPENSE IN THE FALL OF 1972 TO OBSERVE THE

AMERICAN ELECTIONS. WHILE IN WASHINGTON THEY WERE GUESTS OF  
FORMER REPRESENTATIVE JOHN BLATNIK OF MINNESOTA.

5. WIJGMAN IS MARRIED TO THE FORMER KERSTIN VON BLIXEN-  
FINECKE, THE DAUGHTER OF A FORMER SWEDISH AMBASSADOR.  
MRS. WIJGMAN HAS ALSO BEEN ACTIVE IN LOCAL POLITICS, AND  
IS AN ALTERNATE MEMBER OF THE STOCKHOLM COUNTY COUNCIL.

6. WIJGMAN HAS BEEN WELL AND FAVORABLY KNOWN TO THE EMBASSY  
FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS.  
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